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25X1 1. Max Schwarz, prominent East-West trader in scrap metals who after six months in an Austrian prison was released on a 600,000 schilling bail [redacted]

25X1 [redacted] Prior to his departure from Austria, Schwarz delegated as his Vienna representatives Igor Hacker and one Braun.*

25X1 2. Hacker and Braun meet frequently with Avdeyev (sic), acting director of USIA's Central Commercial Bureau and Dr. Alfred Hutschenerger, Austrian director of the Com. mercial Bureau, in the Schwarzenberg Cafe on Kaerntnerring 17 in the International Sector of Vienna.

25X1 [redacted] Comment: Hacker allegedly resides in Vienna II (Soviet Sector).

25X1 [redacted] Comment: Hacker, Schwarz' handy man, was arrested with Schwarz. He is 72 years old, a former inmate of Nazi concentration camps, who is regarded merely as a paid clerk rather than one of Schwarz' accomplices. Braun, a former SS officer, has been described as a small time scrap operator who works closely with the Soviets. Braun allegedly participated in the Austrian Communist Party extortion racket which was aimed at Schwarz.

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